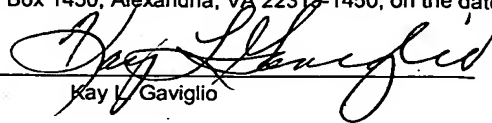


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Dear Sir:

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- ☐ Continuation
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of prior application No. 09/922,501

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Title: 2,5-DKG Permeases

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form submitted in duplicate
2. ☒ Specification Total Pages: 58
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
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 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claims
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- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))

5. ☒ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4B, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
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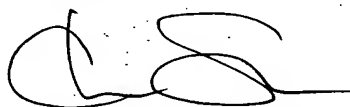
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9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an Assignee)
10. ☐ English Translation Document
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS/PTO-1449)
12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
13. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
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